GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2799
ANSWERED ON:06.12.2001
LOSS SUFFERED DUE TO FIRE
RAVI PRAKASH VERMA

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the requisite information has since been collected;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIST RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement is enclosed.

(c) Does not arise.

Statement referred to in reply to part (b) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.2799raised by Shri Ravi Parkash Verma, M.P. to be answered on 06.12.2001 regarding loss suffered due to fire.

Year	Location	Amount of losses	Reasons	Steps taken to prevent such indident
1998	Scrap yards/ stores	Rs.37,300/-	Accidental, Electrical sparking, Agitation, Cigarette/ Bidi bits.	From time to time publicity campaigns are launched advising passengers not to throw cigarette. Railway employees and RPF staff have been instructed to be more alert to avoid incident of fire. Fire Brigades are summoned immediately on receipt of the
1999	do	Rs.6,20,000/-	do	information regarding the fire
2000	do	Rs.12,92,077/-	do	incident. General instructions are
2001	do	Rs.28,82,561/-	do	issued from time to time to keep the area clean and scrap materials separately from inflammable items. Security patrolling has been intensified in and around the scrap yard. Railway employees are given short course training in fire fighting. They are also advised to have a good house keeping and not to throw lighted cigarette. Bidi ends inside the railway premises and finally the fire fighting equipments and installations are periodically inspected to ensure that they are kept in good fettle and ready to use. It is, however, mentioned that Fire Fighting wing of RPF has been closed in 1999 except for a few es.
(Upto July)				